SEC. 17. The Secretary of the Senate shall, subject to the approval of the Senate Committee on Rules and Administration, contract with the Secretary of Education to provide closed captioning of the Senate floor proceedings. The Senate authorizes the Secretary of Education to have access to the audio and video broadcast of the Senate floor proceedings for the purpose of captioning. Such funds as may be necessary to carry out the purposes of this section are authorized to be paid from the contingent fund of the Senate. [S. Res. 13, 101–1, June 21, 1989.]

Resolved, That, notwithstanding any other provision of S. Res. 28, agreed to February 27, 1986, television coverage of the Senate shall resume July 21, 1986 under the same basis as provided during the live test period under section 5 of S. Res. 28 unless the Senate votes pursuant to section 15 of S. Res. 28 to end coverage. [S. Res. 444, 99–2, July 15, 1986.]

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SEC. 903. Beginning on the first day of the 107th Congress, the Presiding Officer of the Senate shall apply all of the precedents of the Senate under Rule XXVIII in effect at the conclusion of the 103d Congress. Further that there is now in effect a Standing order of the Senate that the reading of conference reports is no longer required, if the said conference report is available in the Senate.
[Pub. L. 106–554, Div. A, ch. 9, §903, Dec. 21, 2000.]

PUBLIC DISCLOSURE OF NOTICE OF INTENT TO OBJECT TO 71 A MEASURE OR MATTER

Resolved
SEC. 1. Eliminating Secret Senate Holds.
(a) In General.—

(1) Covered Request.—This standing order shall apply to a notice of intent to object to the following covered requests:

(A) A unanimous consent request to proceed to a bill, resolution, joint resolution, concurrent resolution, conference report, or amendment between the Houses.

(B) A unanimous consent request to pass a bill or joint resolution or adopt a resolution, concurrent resolution, conference report, or the disposition of an amendment between the Houses.

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